



The Stotty School News 6.6.2025



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Diary dates for the week ahead



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Monday 9 th June	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams T1 Rugby After School Club
Tuesday 10 th June	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams Children in the school rounders team will be attending the next round of the competition at Church Stretton - They are due back to school around 4pm - Please note later collection time. Lunchtime gardening club. Multi Skills After School Club - R/1/2 No Rounders After School Club - Yr 3/4/5/6 - this week due to the above rounders competition
Wednesday 11 th June	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams 'Go Green' lunchtime club Lacon Sports Coach for Corve & Severn Class Archery After School Club - Yr 3/4 Science After School Club - Yr 5/6
Thursday 12 th June	Corve Class will be attending a sports festival at Lacon Childe School - within the school day (Moved to this week as rained off last week)
Friday 13 th June	Teme / Rea & Corve Class to attend swimming lessons at Highley - please see further information in the newsletter
Upcoming Diary Dates	
16 th June	Severn Class trip to Enginuity
19 th June	Year 6 attending Crucial Crew
4 th July	School and Community Fete
7 th July	Severn Class adventure day
8 th July	Corve Class adventure day
9 th /10 th July	Bikeability for Year 6 Children
16 th July	Rea Class Severn Valley Railway trip



As you are aware, we welcomed Ofsted inspectors for a routine inspection this week. We would like to thank all of you who contributed by sharing views through the Parent View survey or talking to inspectors at drop off/collection.

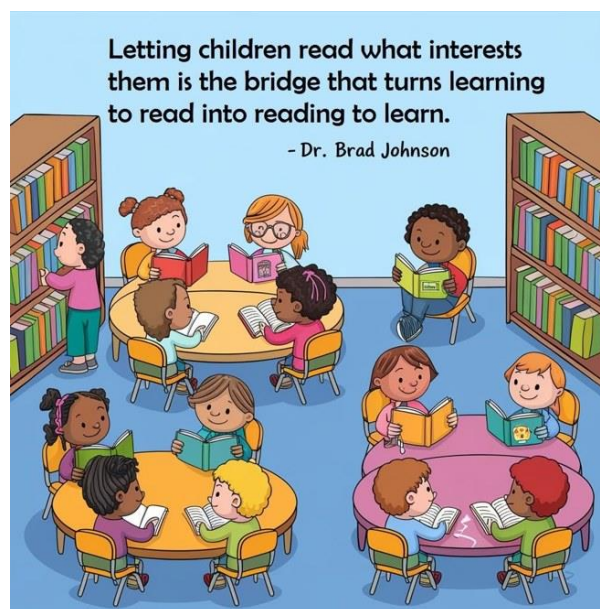
It has been a really busy start to the term and we embrace the professional evaluation that Ofsted gives to confirm our strengths and any areas of development. At this stage, we are not yet permitted to share the outcome of the inspection. Ofsted has a formal process for reviewing and finalising the report, which typically takes a few weeks. Once the final report is published, we will share it with you in full.

We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Warm regards,

Katie Jones

Celebrating Reading



Reading

Reading with children is one of the most powerful gift parents can give. The development of language, creativity and cultural understanding from reading, discussing and sharing is

HUGE so if you are giving this gift thank you for helping to keep this powerful, essential activity 'alive'. Reading is also very powerful as it reduces stress (for the child and the adult!).

Teme: 92%

Rea: 93%

Corve: 93%

Severn: 96%

We would like to extend our thanks to Mrs Kennett / Mrs George and Mrs Dorrell for giving up their time to come into school to listen to the children reading. The children benefit enormously from this. Thank you.

Swimming Lessons



As you are aware swimming lessons at Highley open air pool started today. Children will have six sessions in total (**weekly on Fridays**). Thank you to those of you who have made the voluntary contribution of £22.50 per child (£11.25 for those children eligible for benefit related free school meals) we are very grateful. Please note that the price of the provision has been significantly reduced through school and FOSPS funding. There are still a number of contributions outstanding, we would appreciate your support if you are able.

Due to timings reception and year one children will need to take a packed lunch, which they will eat at Highley after they have done their swimming. Yr 2 / 3 & 4 children will have dinner as normal in school before going swimming.

SEND Parents Coffee Morning



Jon Hayward Memorial Trust - Music Bursaries



*Registered Charity 1121391
Founded in 2007*

The Jon Hayward Memorial Trust (registered charity no. 1121391) has been providing music bursaries to Shropshire primary school children since 2008. They are now accepting referrals for the next academic year. They can part-fund lessons both in schools and those arranged privately. In both cases, they like to make contact through the school in the first instance to provide an impartial reference.

They are able to meet up to 50% of music lesson costs (up to a maximum of £250 per year) for a number of children in school years 3-6, whose families are unable to meet the full cost of tuition and do not qualify for funding from any other source. They also have a number of instruments (violins, guitars and a keyboard) available for free loan.

The Trustees will be meeting in July to look at all referrals and to decide which children the charity will be able to assist for the next academic year. The referral needs to be completed by the school and a parent/carers; please ask for a copy of this form from the school office.

As their bursaries are based upon financial need, they do ask for a family's income details. Proof of this from your Child Tax Credit statement will need to be provided either by enclosing a copy, or by the school verifying that they have seen this if the family do not wish

the charity to view it. All trustees of the charity have DBS clearance and no details of applicants requesting funding will be disclosed to any other parties.

The Jon Hayward Memorial Trust was set up in memory of a well-known Shropshire folk musician who sadly died in November 2006. Jon was passionate about music and always enjoyed sharing this with others. He particularly loved to see children developing their musical ability. Over the last 18 years family and friends have raised funds to enable us to assist children across Shropshire.

Annual Ascension Day Sponsored Walk



Thank you to those of you who have already handed in your sponsorship money - please keep collecting as much as you can - it all goes to help the children through books, transport costs etc. The total is currently at £1151.

Our Worship / Reflections this week:

Generosity is...

Encouraging the best in each other

Never selfish

Enjoying helping others

Raising support for a good cause

Offering what we can

Sharing our time and talents

Inviting someone to join in

Taking care of God's creation for future generations

You first, me last.

Monday: We introduced our new theme of generosity. Severn class shared an acrostic poem to help understand the meaning of the word. We also reflected on the Johnny Appleseed's generosity - see if your child can tell you what he did.



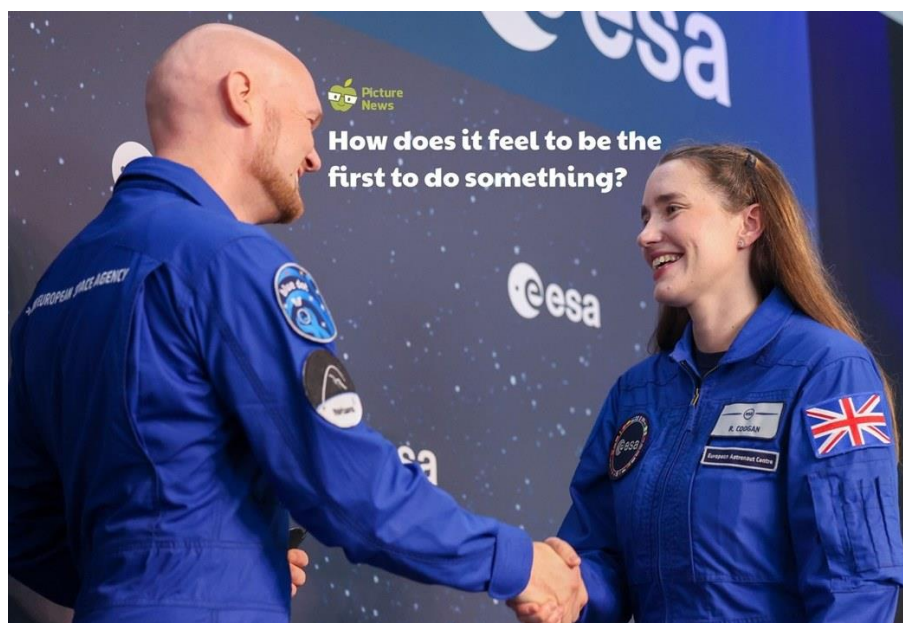
Tuesday: We reflected on a story of a widow who donated two coins and that she had given more as she gave all she had (even though it wasn't as much as some other boastful, richer people). We reflected on that is not how much you give but **how much you care and do** (time, kindness, sharing talents or what you have).



Wednesday: Open the book bought us the story of The Miracle at the Beautiful Gate. We reflected on the talent shared in the miracle and other talents people share: doctors, nurses, vets, teachers, lawyers, chefs, mechanics..... We ALL have talents to share to help others and it isn't just our jobs.....friendly, caring, kind, listeners, noticers, humble, selfless.....



Thursday: We reflected on how being the first to do something can feel exciting, but may also be scary as you are stepping into the unknown. By being brave, you can inspire others to follow in your footsteps! We talked about Dr Rosemary Coogan who is in training to possibly be the first British person to walk on the Moon.



After School Clubs

After School Clubs - June / July 2025
In June / July 2025, the following after school clubs are being offered
(3.15 - 4.15pm, unless otherwise stated):

Club	Club Tutor	Start Date	No. Wks.	No. Places	For Year groups:	Cost £
T1 Rugby - a new non-contact form of the game from World Rugby that reflects the characteristics of rugby union.	Mrs Tracey Wood	Monday 9 th June	5	16	3/4/5/6	£12.50
Multi Sport Club	Mrs Tracey Wood	Tuesday 3 rd June 2025	5	16	Yr Rec/1/2	£12.50
Lunchtime Gardening	Mrs Kim Carter	Tuesday 10 th June 2025	5		Yrs 3/4	0
Rounders Club	Mrs Jackie Walker	Tuesday 3 rd June 2025	5	20	Yrs 3/4/5/6	£12.50
Science Club	Mr Daniel Middleton	Wednesday 11 th June 2025	5	12	Yrs 5/6	£12.50
Going Green Club Lunchtime Times tables Club	Mr Chris Simpson	Wednesday 11 th June 2025	5		Yrs 3/4	0.00
Archery	Mrs Lisa Stokes	Wednesday 4 th June 2025	5	16	Yrs 3/4	£12.50
Drama Club	Mrs Jackie Walker	Friday 13 th June 2025	5	12	Yrs 3/4/5/6	£12.50

Please note the dates for the above clubs on Arbor as some start in the first week, others the second and several of the clubs do not run consecutive weeks due to other timetabled events in school.

Making A Difference By Looking After Our Planet

The school council, this year, were challenged to be 'agents of change'. So far they have: conducted pupil voice surveys to inform our lunchtime and after school clubs; they have contributed to the update of the lines on the playground and now they would like the school to consider taking responsibility for looking after our planet. As a result, they are organising A BIG LITTER PICK to:

- promote the importance of dealing with rubbish properly (and not just throwing it out car windows or dropping it on the street)
- help tidy up the environment where this is happening
- help look after plants and animals and their habitats

We are fortunate that our village has very little rubbish so to make a difference further afield children in all year groups have volunteered to take our litter picking equipment home each Friday and litter pick in their local area. A different volunteer in each year group will take their turn from now until the end of term (please return equipment by the next Friday). If it wasn't a convenient week for you please don't worry. We want everyone to stay safe so children know they need to:

- Do the litter picking with an adult at a convenient time.
- Wash your hands before and after picking litter. Clean your hands thoroughly before eating or drinking.
- Wear gloves or use the litter picker (use a litter picker for any glass and metal items).
- Don't touch or move any needles or drug-related items.
- Don't use your hands to squash or flatten down rubbish and be careful around bushes and brambles.
- Ensure any cuts or scrapes are clean and covered with a waterproof plaster before you start.
- Be aware of the risk of ticks and insects in long grass or bushes.
- Wear strong shoes and clothing fit for the weather.
- Don't try to pick litter from the road. Wear a high viz if near the road or on lanes.
- Avoid areas close to rivers and steep slopes, drops and ditches where you could easily fall.
- Don't overfill bin bags and avoid lifting heavy objects or sacks alone.
- Follow local rules and park safely and lawfully.
- Do not confront anyone you see littering.

Well done to all the children that have volunteered so far. Enjoy the pictures below to celebrate our children a doing something to make a difference.



Items required for activity at Fete



Mr Middleton is making an activity for the school fete and needs the following items:

> metal shelving - the type of free-standing shelving racks used in garages or sheds. It would be better for him if the shelves are metal but he can cope if they aren't. He has used some shelving he has at home in addition to some he salvaged from the scrap metal at work, but he needs some more.

> tin cans - they need to be the cans with a ring-pull lid as the edges aren't as sharp as those which have been opened by a tin-opener (don't need the lid). Any size will be fine - needs loads of them!

He can collect from you at home or if you bring items to school he is around at drop off and collection on a Wednesday.

School Council Nature Photography Competition



Children were so inspired by the World Nature Photography Competition that the School Council want to run their own competition. Winning photographs (judged by school council/supported by staff - all photos will be judged without knowing who took them) will, hopefully, be used to create a calendar that we will sell at Christmas to make money to donate to a wildlife charity that helps look after our world.

Children are invited to submit a photograph for one of the categories below to admin@stottesdon-school.co.uk. Deadline for submissions is Monday 9th June. The only rules are:

1. Only one submission per child (please state the category)
2. Please avoid pet photographs (that is another competition!).

Categories:

1. Mammals

2. Amphibians and Reptiles
3. Invertebrates
4. Birds
5. Farming
6. Plants and Funghi
7. Water
8. Landscapes
9. Sky
10. Flowers
11. Black and White
12. Patterns/Art in Nature

Happy Photography!

Forthcoming Trips / Activities

As well as the usual Lacon Festivals, during the Summer term we have several trips / activities taking place.

Please find below an overview of what is planned, so far



Crucial Crew

On Thursday 19th June, Year 6, children will be attending the Bridgnorth and South Shropshire Crucial Crew event at the Edgar Davies Ground in Bridgnorth. This is an annual event which helps to equip pupils to deal with some of the challenges they may face in later years after moving from primary to secondary education and beyond.

We are requesting a voluntary contribution of £10.15 per child attending this event which will go to Bridgnorth and Shropshire Crucial Crew to help with the cost of organising this event.



Adventure Days

On the 7th July Severn Class and on 8th July Corve Class will be attending a fun packed 'adventure day' at Shropshire Adventures - they will be taking part in laser tag / orienteering / climbing or archery and watersports.

These always prove to be very enjoyable days for the children. We will be asking for a voluntary contribution of £27 per child (£13.50 for those children who are eligible for benefit related free school meals), to enable the children to participate. This amount has been significantly subsidised by the school's sport provision funding.



Bikeability

On Wednesday 9th / Thursday 10th July **Year 6** children will be participating in the free 'Bikeability' training provided through Shropshire Council. Please ensure consent forms are completed and returned to enable your child to take part.



Enginuity

On Monday 16th June Severn Class will be visiting Enginuity, Ironbridge, where they will be doing a Power Buggies workshop. They will build and race a mini electric car inspired by the Coalbrookdale born inventor Thomas Parker who made the world's first working electric car.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £13.20 per child (£6.60 for those children eligible for benefit related free school meals) to cover the cost of entry / workshop and transport - once again we are very grateful to FoSPS for covering half of the cost of the transport for this trip.

We would appreciate it if you could make this contribution via Arbor as soon as possible please.



Severn Valley Railway



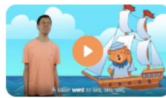

On Wednesday 16th July Rea Class will be transported to Kidderminster Station to catch the Severn Valley Railway steam train to Highley, where they have the opportunity to explore The Engine House. They will then do the return journey to Kidderminster station.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £19.45 per child (£9.73 for those children eligible for benefit related free school meals) to cover the cost of the journey, entry to the Engine House and transport - once again we are very grateful to FoSPS for covering half of the cost of the transport for this trip.

We would appreciate it if you could make this contribution via Arbor as soon as possible please.

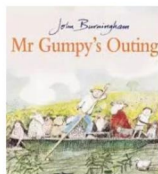

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Nursery News 06.06.2025

<p>Summer 2 Term: Journeys and Holidays</p> <p>This week, nursery have been learning there are different countries in our world. The children have been exploring globes and maps, knowing the blue part represents sea and the green represents land.</p> <p>Please see our curriculum plan attached.</p> <p>This week, we introduced listening for and saying the sound 'z'</p> <div></div> <p>Pronunciation Phrase – z</p> <p>Show me your teeth and buzz the z sound zzzzz</p>	
<p>Talk for Writing Text:</p> <div></div> <p>The Everywhere Bear</p>	<p>Nursery Rhyme of the Week:</p> <div></div> <p>A Sailor Went to Sea</p> <p>https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/^[1]</p>
<div></div> <p>STARTING RECEPTION in SEPTEMBER 2025</p> <p>The Kindred² School Readiness Survey^[2] in January 2025 reported that 41% of parents hadn't heard about the term 'School Readiness' before their child joined reception.</p> <p>School Readiness: Key skills to practice with your child before starting reception. Practising these skills will make your child's journey to reception as positive as possible. For a full list of these skills please visit www.startingreception.co.uk^[3].</p> <p>Each week, I will highlight in the school news and ClassDojo some of these skills and provide activity ideas and information to support parents with practising these skills at home. Please speak to your child's key person for further information if required.</p> <div><p>WEEK 5: Listening and engaging</p><ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paying attention for short periods of time• Listening to and following simple instructions• Carrying on with a task even when it's difficult and bouncing back if things go wrong• Follow the walk and talk trail with the National Literacy Trust^[4]• Practice language and listening skills at home with these games - Playing with a cardboard telescope - BBC^[5]• Practice language and listening skills at home with these games - Red Light, Green Light - BBC^[6]</div>	

1 - [1] <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/> [2] <https://kindredsquared.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/School-Readiness-Survey-January-2025-Kindred-Squared.pdf> [3] <http://www.startingreception.co.uk/> [4] <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/talking-to-your-child-when-out-and-about/> [5] <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/articles/zb8nydm> [6] <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/articles/zqvthcw>

Reception News 06.06.2025

Summer 2: Journeys and Holidays			
This week, reception have been learning about what a journey is. Please see our curriculum plan attached.			
Talk for Writing: Mr Gumpy's Outing		Nursery Rhyme of the Week:	
		 A Sailor Went to Sea	
https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/ ^[1]			
This week's phonics words and tricky words:			
bumping	snapping	jumping	swimming
helped	cracked	grunted	printed
melted	plumpest	freshest	softest
Tricky Words: out, today,			

2 - [1] <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Multiplication Tables Check

Next week children in year 4 will be carrying out their multiplication tables check - please see the link below for further information:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6724ae64c053e87b6a0a81e4/Information_for_parents_multiplication_tables_check.pdf

Rea Class News

Rea Phonics	
Year 1 Revision in preparation for the phonics screening next week of:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ph making f as in phone.• wh making w as in wheel.• ie making ee as in shield.• g making j as in giant	
Year 2 Continuation of rules for adding suffixes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We normally just add the suffix -ful to the end of a root word. If the root word ends in y, we swap the y for an i and add ful. eg beauty – beautiful.• We normally just add the suffix -ment to the end of a root word. If the root word ends in y, we swap the y for an i. eg merry - merriment	
Homework	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading Homework is to listen to your child read at least four times over the week. Please remember to write it in reading records.• Year 2 have been tested on last week's spellings today. For the rest of this term, spellings will go home on a Monday and be tested the following Monday. This change has happened because of the swimming timetable.• Numbots, teach your monster number skills or times tables rock stars (for year 2).	
Maths	
Year one – Mastering Number Practising doubles and bonds to ten	
Year two – Mastering number	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number bonds to 20 and how we use our number bonds to ten to know them.	
Fractions	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Half and not half.• Quarters and not quarters.• Thirds and not thirds.• Notation of fractions using our digits.• Stem sentences for fractions – “My whole is divided into 4 equal parts. Each part is one quarter..	

Please see information in the following link regarding the upcoming 'phonics screening' checks:

[Phonics Screening](#)

Staffing and Class Arrangements Next Year

As we enter the final term of the current academic year, we would like to take this opportunity to share with you updates regarding our staffing arrangements for 2025/26.

We are committed to providing the highest quality education and support for all our pupils, and part of that commitment involves ensuring we have the right team in the right places to meet all student needs. Please see the overview of staffing for 25/26 below:

- **Early Years Team** (Reception and Nursery): Mrs Rainbird-Hitchins, Mrs Smith, Rebecca Home, Sara Clulee, Lydia Keen and Hollie Tisdale
- **KS1 Team (Year 1 and Year 2)**: Mrs J Jones, Mrs Wood

- **Lower KS2 Team (Year 3 and Year 4):** Miss Hall, Mrs McNamara, Mrs Carter and Miss Griffiths. Miss Hall joins us as new member of staff and brings experience of working in schools, a passion for education and a commitment to all pupils achieving their very best. Miss Hall will be visiting over the next half term so there will be opportunity for her to become familiar with our school and students to become familiar with her.
- **Upper KS2 Team (Year 5 and Year 6):** Mrs McKay, Mrs Carter, Mrs McNamara and Mrs Walker
- **Mrs Leverett Williams will continue to teach RE and Music across all classes and Mrs Jones will also continue a teaching timetable at KS2.**
- We will be saying farewell to both Mr Simpson and Mrs Martin who will be leaving us at the end of this term to take up new positions and opportunities. We will of course be celebrating and thanking them for their dedication as we head to our Leavers Service at the end of term.

We are confident that these changes will further strengthen our school community and enhance the learning experience for all our pupils. It is still early days, with a good chunk of this year to complete, but we know parents appreciate the information and we will begin transition work with children (including a moving up day at the end of June) so our children are ready for their new classes in September.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to be in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Working Family Entitlements - Expansion to 30hrs from September 2025



From September 2025, eligible working parents will be able to access 30 hours of funded childcare a week, for 38 weeks of the year, starting from the term after their child turns 9 months old until they begin school.

From May 2025, all eligible working parents of children who will be at least nine months old on or before 31st August will now be able to apply for their 30 hours childcare. Please visit www.child-carechoices.gov.uk to find out more and register for your code.

Burwarton Show 2025 - Schools Poster Competition



Burwarton Show is running a poster competition for Primary School Pupils. The poster needs to illustrate the pupil's view of farming and the countryside, and the importance of agriculture in our daily lives. The theme for this year's Show is 'Society and Agriculture'. This indicates the strong relationship which should be between society and farming and the countryside, and how that links with the show.

The competition is open to KS1 & KS2 children, each entry can be either by a group of children or by an individual child, entries need to be poster size A3 page, the poster should be designed in pencil, felt tip pen, chalk or paint - please return entries to school by Friday 20th June. The School Council will then have the difficult job of deciding which 6 entries the school should submit.

Each school can enter up to 6 posters.

The winning Primary School will be awarded prizes of art materials to the value of;

1st Prize = £300 / 2nd Prize = £150 / 3rd prize = £100

This is being kindly sponsored by McCartneys LLP, Ludlow.

Please see attached competition guidelines.

Brown Clee Medical Practice - support its continuation.



**BROWN CLEE
HEALTH AND WELL-
BEING COMMUNITY
SOCIETY LIMITED**

As some of you may be aware Doctor Bassett, the principal partner, of The Brown Clee Medical Practice is looking to retire before the end of 2027 - the practice is therefore looking to attract new partners to ensure it continues.

The Brown Clee Health and Well-Being Community Society has been legally established to raise funds to buy and maintain the Brown Clee Medical Practice premises at Ditton Priors and Stottesdon with the goal of keeping the Practice based in Brown Clee, which is otherwise at risk as attracting new partners is increasingly difficult due to the required financial commitment.

Community ownership of the premises means any incoming GP Partners will not need to buy the buildings. This makes it a more attractive proposition for new Partners to join the Practice to provide the services the local community need.

They plan to use any surplus funds generated from rent and grants to support community led activities which improve the health and wellbeing of people within the catchment area. Their intention is to apply to register as a charity with HMRC.

The society is seeking new members, please see attached information and a membership application form.

Further information is available on the Society website: www.browncleesociety.org.uk

Parenting Signposts

Understanding Your Child Groups - Summer 2025

Understanding your child From toddler to teen

- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?

Join us for one of our free virtual or face-to-face groups, our next groups start:

Understanding Your Child Group 29th April 2025 from 9.15am to 11.15am at Crowmoor Primary School, Shrewsbury
 Understanding Your Child Group 30th April 2025 from 9.00am to 11.00am at Cleve Hill Community Primary School
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 30th April 2025 from 12.30pm to 2.30pm at Shrewsbury TBA
 Understanding Your Child Group 30th April 2025 from 12.45pm to 2.45pm at Belvidere Primary School, Shrewsbury
 Understanding Your Child Group 1st May 2025 from 09.30am to 11.30am at Highley Community Primary School
 Understanding Your Child Group 1st May 2025 from 09.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams
 Understanding Your Child Group 1st May 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm at St Lucia CofE Primary School, Upton Magna
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 2nd May 2025 from 09.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams
 Understanding Your Child Group 2nd May 2025 from 1.15pm to 3.15pm at Christ Church CofE Primary School, Cressage

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

SEND groups are for parents/carers of Children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place email
Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk
 or call 01743 250950

Find more free online courses at:
inourplace.co.uk/shropshire



Sleep Tight Work Shops - Summer 2025

Does your child struggle with their Sleep?

Free Sleep Tight Groups

Join us on one of our virtual or face-to-face groups which run for 5 weeks and:

- Find out why sleep is important for our health and emotional wellbeing
- Get support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines
- Meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences

Our next groups start:

Sleep Tight SEND Monday 9th June 2025 from 12.45pm to 2.45pm
 Virtually Via MS Teams

or

Sleep Tight Monday 16th June 2025 from 9.15am to 11.15am
 Virtually via MS Teams

SEND groups are for parents/carers of children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950

Find out
 more here



Parenting Help & Support Line

Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line

01743 250950

Mon - Thurs, 9.30am - 4.30pm
Fri, 9.30am - 3.30pm

No judgment, just support.



Shropshire Family Information Service



Hello from the **Family Information Service** (FIS for short).
Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother. We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, clubs, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays, for all ages
- Getting parenting and family support
- Finding health and wellbeing support

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

Follow us on social media for all the latest news and info.

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www.shropshire.gov.uk/fis

What is Shropshire Family Information Service:

The Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS) is a brilliant universal service. The FIS brings together loads of useful, local information for families, to help take the stress out of things like finding:

- Childcare or baby and toddler groups
- Holiday clubs, events and things to do as a family
- Parenting, relationships, and emotional health and wellbeing support
- Cost of Living info and advice

FIS use our social media channels to bring families news, events and handy information, which links through to our [Family Information Directory](#). Families are welcome to contact us directly for help with anything to do with family life. We have created a brand new short video to explain who we are and what we do. You can view it here on YouTube https://youtu.be/7t1jBqJJI8?si=LeOiNag8_LeSPzX0

What we would love you to do:

1. Follow us on social media. We use social media as a key tool for reaching parents and professionals, so give us a follow and we will follow you back.

[Family Info Service Facebook](#)

[Family Info Service Instagram](#)

[Family Info Service Twitter](#)

2. Subscribe to our newsletter <https://orlo.uk/5RvZN>

Solihull Approach - Understanding Your Child

Please watch the video in the link below - it explains brilliantly how good the parenting courses are:

[lotdef s02 O6b Full ugc2b \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s02O6bUgc2b)

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ONLINE COURSES FOR PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CARERS AND TEENS

Discover the Solihull Approach series

Understanding...

English more languages available powered by Google Translate

Enjoy a fresh new look on mobiles

optional voice-over where available

and much more!

Do you live in the Shropshire or Telford & Wrekin area? Locally funded

1. Scan QR or visit www.inourplace.co.uk
2. Enter the Access Code*
3. Begin learning

Access Code: **DARWIN18**

PREPAID

*Sign in or registration required

Bridgnorth Community Information Drop In Sessions

Family Drop-In

Here to help

Free information, advice and support

You can chat, have a drink and see how we can all help you with:

• Family Life	• Housing Support	• Home fire safety
• Children's health and wellbeing	• Domestic abuse support	• Healthy living advice
• Drug and alcohol support	• Financial advice	• Help with getting back to work

Bridgnorth Youth Centre
45 Innage Lane, Bridgnorth WV16 4HS

Every Tuesday from 1.30pm—4pm



Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities)

We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.

 Shropshire Council
www.shropshire.gov.uk

 Shropshire Supporting Families through Early Help



stay and play

FAMILY INFORMATION DROP IN

Every Tuesday
1pm until 3pm
starting 3rd December 2024

Bridgnorth Library,
67 Listley St, Bridgnorth WV16 4AW



shropshire.gov.uk/early-help

 Shropshire Council

Highley Community Drop In Sessions

Community Drop-ins

How can we help you?

Come along to:
Highley Library, Halo Severn Centre, Bridgnorth Road,
Highley, WV16 6JG

The fourth Friday
of each month
9.30am-12.30pm



Free information, advice
and support around;

- Housing support
- Getting older
- Family Life
- Domestic Abuse
- Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) support
- Parenting support
- Finance support
- Healthy living, and much more!

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Introducing the Separating better app, a **free** self-guided mobile app for separating parents, designed to facilitate a smoother separation journey and promote positive co-parenting. This app is filled with expert advice, video resources, practical parenting, and budgeting plans, as well as co-parenting tips. It offers an easy-to-follow journey where you can track your progress and unlock app sections as you go.

Find out more and download the mobile app, now:

https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-better?utm_source=referral&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=sbaffiliate

For face to face support, go to [Getting on better | Shropshire Council](#) and select Free Courses and Workshops.



An online course to help parents communicate better with each other

Arguing better


Disagreements are a normal part of life, and most couples argue from time to time. How you deal with disagreements can make a big difference to you, your partner, and your children.

This free online course can help you learn to manage difficult conversations, avoid conflict, and improve things for your whole family.



Create your free account at www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents or scan the QR code
To access the course, you will need a good internet connection and a smartphone, tablet, or computer.

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An online course for separating parents to help manage conflict and minimise the impact on children

Getting it right for children

When separated parents argue, it's common for children to feel like they are caught in the middle. This free online course is designed to help separated parents communicate better with each other and parent co-operatively after parting.

You will learn positive communication skills like staying calm, seeing things differently, and speaking for yourself so that you can sort out disagreements with your child's other parent and find solutions together. You can do the course on your own, at your own pace.



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An online course for new and expectant parents

Me, You and Baby too

Tiredness and stress are common when you're caring for a baby. If parenthood is leading to more arguments between you and your partner, this free online course could help.

With tips and advice on how to talk about difficult topics, share stress, and prevent arguments, this short course will help you and your partner navigate challenging times together.



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To access the course, you will need a good internet connection and a smartphone, tablet, or computer.

Health Visiting Information

Every family with children under 5 has access to a health visitor.

Families can access advice and support up until the age of 5 years old by calling **The Single Point of Access on 0333 358 3654**.

If parents don't want to talk to someone, they can send a text and one of the team will get back to them on **07520 635212**

This is a Monday to Friday service 09:30am until 4pm where a Health Visitor is on the line to offer the appropriate advice and support and referrals can be made to the appropriate practitioner.

If parents need extra support or support for potty training, behaviour, sleep, eating we have two Healthy Child practitioner who they can be referred to who will come out to their home or to a clinic to support the family with these issues.

This referral can be completed through the single point of access and sent to the appropriate team.

If it is specialised targeted work the family will be seen by a Health visitor for example low mood or complex development issues, safeguarding or specialised referrals.

All children are seen universally at one years and at two years and they are offered a full health growth and development review via a letter with an appointment.

These are now completed at Cleobury Mortimer Health Centre, Ludlow or Bridgnorth depending on where they live.


PARENT CARER COUNCIL
PACC
Shropshire
Supporting your voice

Accessing Support

Knowing how to access support and who to speak to can be overwhelming and difficult at times. We have created this information sheet of charities and organisations that can provide help and support. You can also contact PACC for support and information on Info@paccshropshire.org.uk


Shropshire IASS
Information Advice & Support Service

We provide information, advice and support to parents and carers of children aged 0 to 25, and young people aged 16 to 25 who have, or may have, special educational needs or disabilities (SEND).




autism west midlands

We are the leading charity in the West Midlands for Autistic adults, children, young people and those who love and care for them. Our passionate, expert staff and volunteers work across a range of age groups and abilities.




contact For families with disabled children

We're here for families wherever they live in the UK, and whenever they need us.




SHROPSHIRE LOCAL OFFER

The SEND local offer is a single place for information, services, and resources for children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and/or disabilities, their families, and the practitioners who support them.




PREPARATION PACC FOR ADULTHOOD

The PACC Preparation for Adulthood (PFA) Navigator service is available to help SEND families understand the options available for young people with SEND on their preparation for adulthood journey.



IPSEA
Independent Provider of Special Education Advice

IPSEA is a registered charity in England that provides free legal advice and support to families of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).



PACC (Parent Carer Council) have created an information sheet of charities and organisations that can provide help and support.

Please let us know if you would like a copy.

Otherwise please contact PACC for support and information on info@paccshropshire.org.uk

Celebrating Children's Achievements



The children representing all the hard work and positive attitudes in our school this week.



Numbots:

Rea: **Kai Plumb**

Corve: **Lucas Kench**



Time Tables Rock Stars:

Rea: **Eva George**

Corve: **Fletcher Middleton**

Severn: **Bea Gittins**



Spelling Bee:

Bronze: **Leon D**

Silver: **Ellie D**

Gold:

Platinum:



Sports Stars:

Teme: **Kitt** for his improved accuracy and focus when applying the 'top tips' to throwing under and overarm.

Rea: **Ophelia** for good running technique.

Corve: **Isla** and **Oliver** for teamwork in the 'train' running game with Mrs Stokes.

Severn: **Lana** for actively including others during a netball game / Mrs Stokes would like a special mention to go to **Jenson St** and **Ruby B**.



Pride and Presentation: Award for pupil focus on presentation of work across the curriculum.

Teme: **Poppy** for her sentence writing.

Rea: **Ophelia** for her writing.

Corve: **Esther** careful sentence writing in English.

Severn: **Harrison** for his work in R.E.



Great Sentence using words of the week:

Teme: My finger is **thin**. **Freddie**

Rea: I **lured** my cat into the cat house. **Grace**

Corve: The caterpillar **transformed** into an amazing butterfly. **Evelyn**

Severn: The **renegade** managed to **evade** the police. **Elliot Datlen Gough**



Class Achievers:

Teme: **Harry** for his oral sentences when explaining how he worked out his maths challenges this week, showing his knowledge of number bonds to 10.

Rea: **Ada** for great understanding in fractions / **Halsey, Kai, Chloe** and **Ophelia** for their focus in phonics.

Corve: **Fletcher, Isla, Oliver, Frankie, Rosie** and **Sofia** for excellent work correcting formula on spreadsheets.

Severn: **Samuel, Bella L, Lottie, Archie, Lorelei** and **Hollie** for sharing their enthusiasm and love for reading with our visitors this week.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Alfie** for very kindly offering to collect the box of spoons at lunchtime without any prompting.

Year 2: **Harriet F** for helping others on her table.

Year 2: **Leo P** for being very caring and considerate towards another pupil when she tripped over and for helping the younger children to organise their things.

Year 3: **Lincoln** for his politeness in standing back to allow others room in the corridor.

Year 4: **Esme** for lending another pupil her trainers.

Year 5: **Harrison** for his lovely manners.

Year 6: **JJ** for his lovely manners.